

Agenda/notes of Spokes Planning Group meetings

15th June 2026 - 19:30

Zoom link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82527616002?pwd=6fkrDubxvhESiYskB7cZrUZIYogCay.1>

Attendees: MM, EB, JR, RA

Apologies: NA DF? AR? KT?

Welcomes & Apologies

Admin PG mailing list / group distribution / Calendar Events

Transport and Local Access Forum: TBC

Next TEC: 18th June 2026 [HERE](#)

Next TROSC: TBC

Next CEC Meeting: 25th June 2026 [HERE](#)

Latest [Edi.Bike](#) newsletter

SPOKES SCIO:

Planning Group putting forward a trustee if Spokes becomes a SCIO. Contact Ian Maxwell.

TEC matter / deputations:

- [Dave notes on the TEC papers](#)
- Braids Estate - Update. Robbie wrote to Cllr Jenkinson re ideas for next TEC
 - Spokes South Deputation / Schools Ver
- Trams from Granton to Edinburgh BioQuarter / [website article](#)

Updates/ongoing

Construction projects:

- West Edinburgh Link
 - Torwood Path complete. Delayed by hole?
- Elm Row/TtN Mitigation Measures - *We have taken up Cllr Booth's offer to get officers to make a site visit to FotW to discuss our ongoing safety concerns for pedestrians and cyclists, with the junction. We heard (AR) that Elm Row works were "starting soon" a while ago - nothing yet and no detail. Active Travel Team have at last agreed to review the outstanding ETYN items that were allocated to them. MMcD to now chase other departments. (MMcD)*
- [Queensferry High Street](#)
 - Phase 2 work now underway on the high street itself High St
- Charlotte Square Interim Scheme
 - Still no progress here. Worth contacting Marie Davis? *MMcD: According to NTBCC (city centre community council), proposals have been discussed and work is to be continued. I will endeavour to get details.*
- King's Theatre (Meadows / Canal)
 - Complete but Tarvit St yet to reopen
- South Gyle Road bridge - now open but not 'finished'
- Heriot Watt / Union Canal to Edinburgh Park underway
- Gogar Station Road works
- Summerhall - WIP
- West Shore Road - junction addition

Consultations

- TRO 25/57 - New Cycle Hangars: AR note of support
- [TRO/25/54](#) Tarvit Street closure except cycles
 - AR to respond positively
- [North Edinburgh Connections](#) - submitted by NA. Thank you. EB send to NEAT.
- Arboretum Place - no update - SUDS at TEC?
- Canaan Lane (one way cycle exemption but footway widening) response received and Meeting with School Reps held.
- Cameron Toll Future <https://camerontollmasterplan.co.uk/> CameronToll@cbre.com
 - SK to summarise comments for developer given deadline of 27.03.2026 - JR to check with SK on Inch Park comments.
- Old Town Streets ETRO/25/34 - Lawnmarket
 - AR to respond positively since no other comments were received
- [Craigmillar and Niddrie Connections](#) - Closes 8 July. SK lives close so able help AR
 - Draft [Spokes response](#) from AR.
 - Note email from Gert at the Council (see email dated 10 June) seeking a morning meeting on June 17, 18 or 19, to which LS and Access Panel also invited
 - Also, if we can get a draft of main points soon, Dave will circulate local members to seek feedback and to encourage individual responses.
 - See Andy Follis email
- Glenfinlas St / St Colme St - pedestrian crossing - EJ update?
- St Andrew Square - initial meeting on Thursday 18th - Niall and Martin attending - [my initial thoughts](#) seemed to gain agreement

Ongoing issues:

- Anti-social behaviour on NEPN - JR drafted email to Police & Council but not well received. *McD - can you expand? I asked police officers at PoP and they seemed keen for action to be taken and suggested contacting the local Community Team - not sure of [North East](#) or [North West](#)*
- Gilmerton Road pelican crossing 'upgrade' build out into unidirectional cycle lanes - still no change
- Leith Connections - Edi.Bike & Handcycle issues - CEC looking into it. KT corresponding. Chas Booth update after AT Forum.
- Meadows - George St
 - RSO called into Scottish Ministers + Public hearing for meeting not going ahead (delayed) June: AR *McD: Now back to the drawing board!!!* **AR check email**
- Voi Cycle Hire Scheme - Meeting? 28th May
 - Expansion & other issues - Murrayfield Voi
- Craigiehall estate (formerly the HQ of the Army in Scotland) - *McD put on Agenda for our last meeting with ATT but none of us knew enough about the issues to discuss. Can somebody give me a summary for next meeting (date tba!)*
- Porty Junction - *McD Response from Road Safety Team that they have been making design changes following RSA and other feedback so TRO process yet to formally begin. Still trying to find out which design they are now going for - there were basically 2 on the table - one with cyclists on the inside of pedestrians and one on the outside. McD to follow up!*
- Silverknowes
 - Road resurfacing for reopening August

- Roadworks & Cycling Safety
 - Complaint regarding toucan crossing closures
 - Temporary bike parking for events
- Waverley Valley / Princes Street - Workshop
 - Consensus on poor footways and that private coaches should be restricted
 - Concerns with perceived impacts on Lothian Buses
 - No mention of cycling or tram track hazards
 - Impacts on George St
- TdF 2027 in Edinburgh - EB chased
- Curriehill Station Link - no news
- Scotrail / Network Rail Scotland - **JR to check with Charles**
- Myreside - Planning route safeguards

Other transport / LA's

1. Midlothian
 - Active Travel Forum - 27th May - Rosie forwarded the minutes [email 6 June] did DF attend?
 - Penicuik High Street - Cycling ban
2. East Lothian
 - Wallyford Roundabout upgrades
3. West Lothian

Planning

- CityScope [Link](#)
- [22/03430/VAR2](#) Salamander Street
- [Bioquarter](#) mixed use development bioquarter@ryden.co.uk - funding through Section 75 agreement?

AOB

1. Torduff / Cubbiedean reservoirs query with Scottish Water
2. McD: Powderhall Railway - new campaign launched. Seems to be proposing a set-by-step progression of local initiatives - initially make some of it accessible wildlife/nature area; add more access points; add play/picnic areas; extend accessible area; etc and eventually construct cycle/walkway. It seems to me that most of the work needed for a cycleway would anyway have to be done to enable any of this - ie clearing vegetation; making access points; removing rails. A lot of good ideas and an assumption that there are no safety issues. Needs further review before we could support their approach.

Next Meeting - 20.07.2026 (no TEC) Niddrie meeting 8 July Deadline so earlier meeting if needed

August break?

07.09.2026 (next TEC is 10 September 2026 10.00 am)